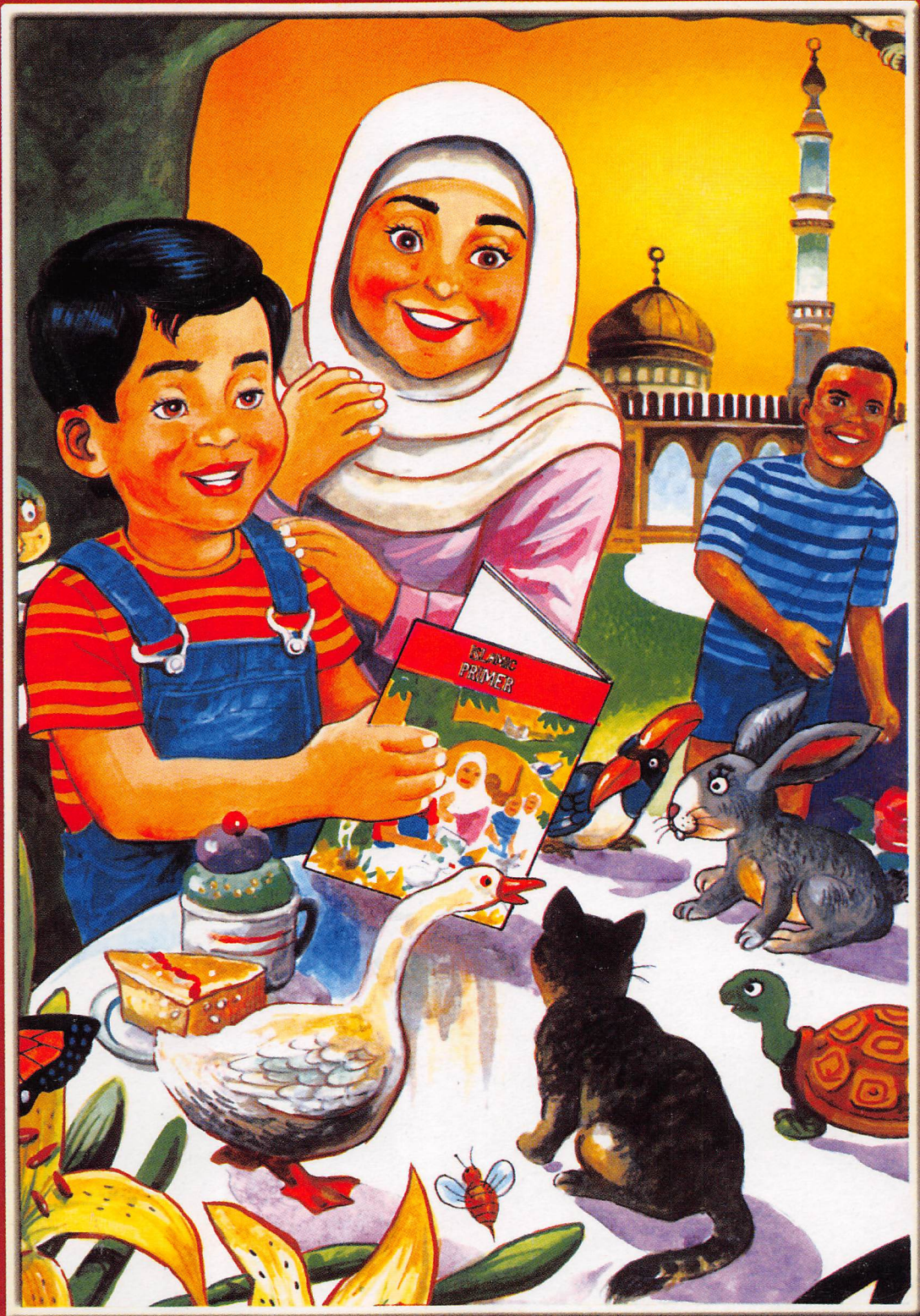


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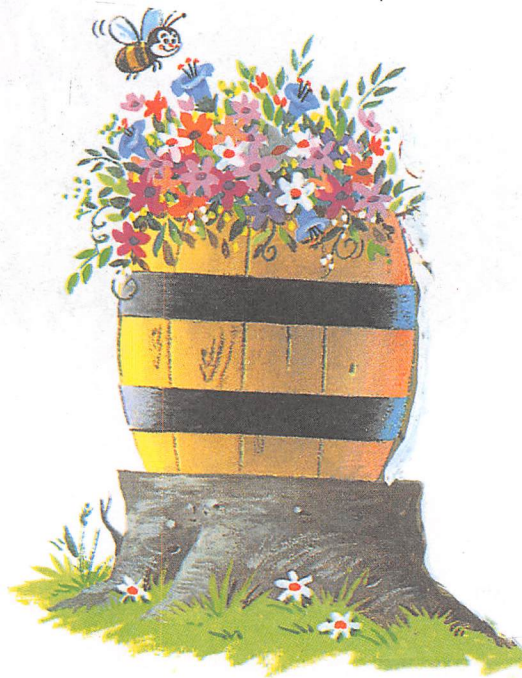
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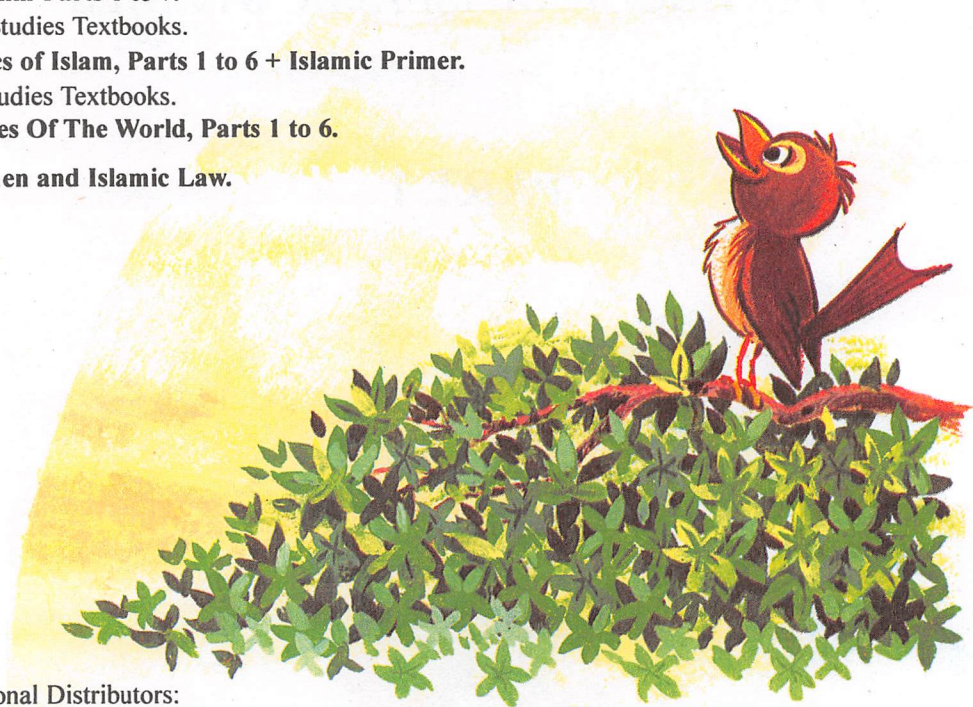
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## **PREFACE**

This Islamic Primer presents a study of Islam in an attractive, comprehensive way. Islamic Primer enables a student to view Islam in all its aspects and to accept it as a way of life. Through it, he observes the impact of Islam on life as a whole and does not confine it to just a limited study of jurisprudence only.

The book guides the student in the various activities of his little world at school, at home and in the environment around him. A guide to correct behaviour and etiquette in the various stages and fields of life, this book moulds the student's attitude and becomes his trusted companion through his school days in the transitional and delicate period.

This book not only presents the do's and don'ts but also refines the habits and manners, creating a rich and endearing personality. It is an invaluable teaching aid for teachers and parents too. The success of this book depends considerably on the teacher's ability to discuss in depth each concept with the student and ensure that he not only understands it but also accepts and implements it. The process of learning includes knowing, understanding, accepting and doing or implementing a concept. The spirit and message of each new fact must permeate the child's personality and form his attitude and must also go into his daily life by turning that concept into action. The teacher must, through her continuous interaction, insist on this to draw maximum benefit from the book.

A sure key to success, this first book of the series in a graded form and in the child's own vocabulary, is a complete course in grooming and etiquette.

To enhance the value of the contents of the book we invite criticism and suggestions from parents and teachers.

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## TO THE TEACHER

The purpose of this introductory book at the age level of five to six years in Std. I, is to introduce the child to common Islamic words, terms, basic concepts and morals.

The children in this lower age-group below six are not able to read well. Hence, this book has less of the written word, more pictures and relies more on the teacher's oral presentation of each page. Hence you are advised to turn each page into a lesson and talk at length about the single word, sentence or idea given on a page.

The book also contains three lessons of questions and answers, one for each term. Each question of these 3 lessons should be turned into a lesson and a talk with a related, supporting story. Talk lightly about one question for a full period and put up the question and answer on the blackboard in the last ten minutes of the period for teaching.

Children like toys, bright colours, flowers, sweets and games. They like doing and seeing new things and playing new games (instead of writing or hearing). You must use these likes and tendencies of the children to your benefit. Use toys, colourful charts, flowers, sweets, games, new things and new styles as aids of teaching in every lesson. Make sure you use one aid in every lesson. That will ensure success for your teaching.

To use an interesting, new teaching aid in every lesson does the trick and works wonders with a naughty or academically weak class.

Prepare a shining, decorated chart for the lessons **PIOUS WORDS** in bold letters and hang it in the classroom. Children love flowers. Draw large flowers and write words like—Allah, Prophet and other pious words in the centre of the flowers.

After talking to the children about the concept on each page along with an aid, read out the lesson loudly and clearly. Then, let the children read the same. Be careful to ensure that they don't fall into the deadly trap of rote learning or cramming without understanding.

Turn the I.S. period into a welcome joy and a period of happiness for which they wait. Do practical work to include some fun-time in it. While teaching the hadees about the mother, prepare a gift-card with real flowers in it in the class and let each child present this to his parents.

The I.S. period should be kept in the period which is just before recess. The recess is a joy for children, and to link I.S. with it, creates a happy atmosphere.

There should be no written work or note-book of I.S. The examination should be oral upto Std. IV.

The book is framed in such a way that the lessons are naturally divided into 3 parts. The syllabus for each term ends with a lesson of questions and answers.

Slides and brief video shots may be shown to complement your teaching but not to substitute it. For example, when you plan to teach the word **KABAH**, you could show a video film of the Kabah and Haj for just 3 to 5 minutes.

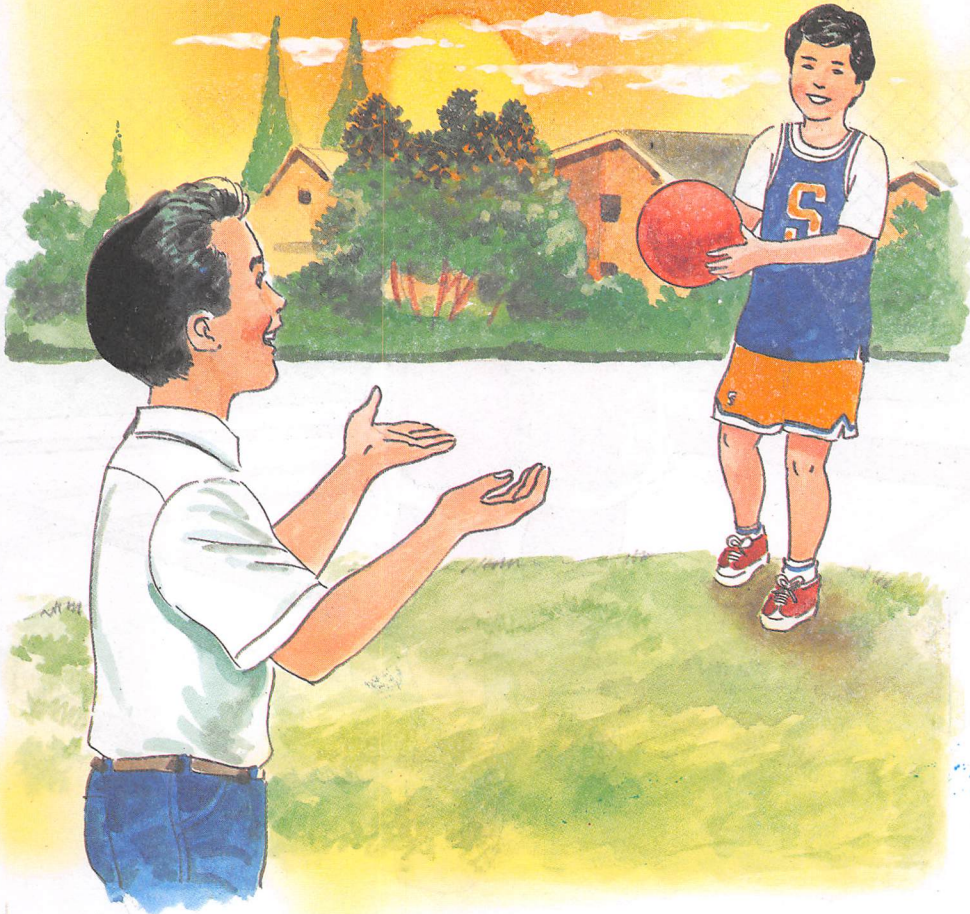
The Islamic Studies teacher must herself present a role-model and example of all that she teaches as the children are sharply observant. They are impressed quickly. They adopt equally quickly and unconsciously the teacher's habits, manners, style and even the tone of talking and the style of walking. Children copy. So, use this tendency of the children to your benefit by setting a good example yourself for them to copy.

Insist on the implementation of the morals you teach.

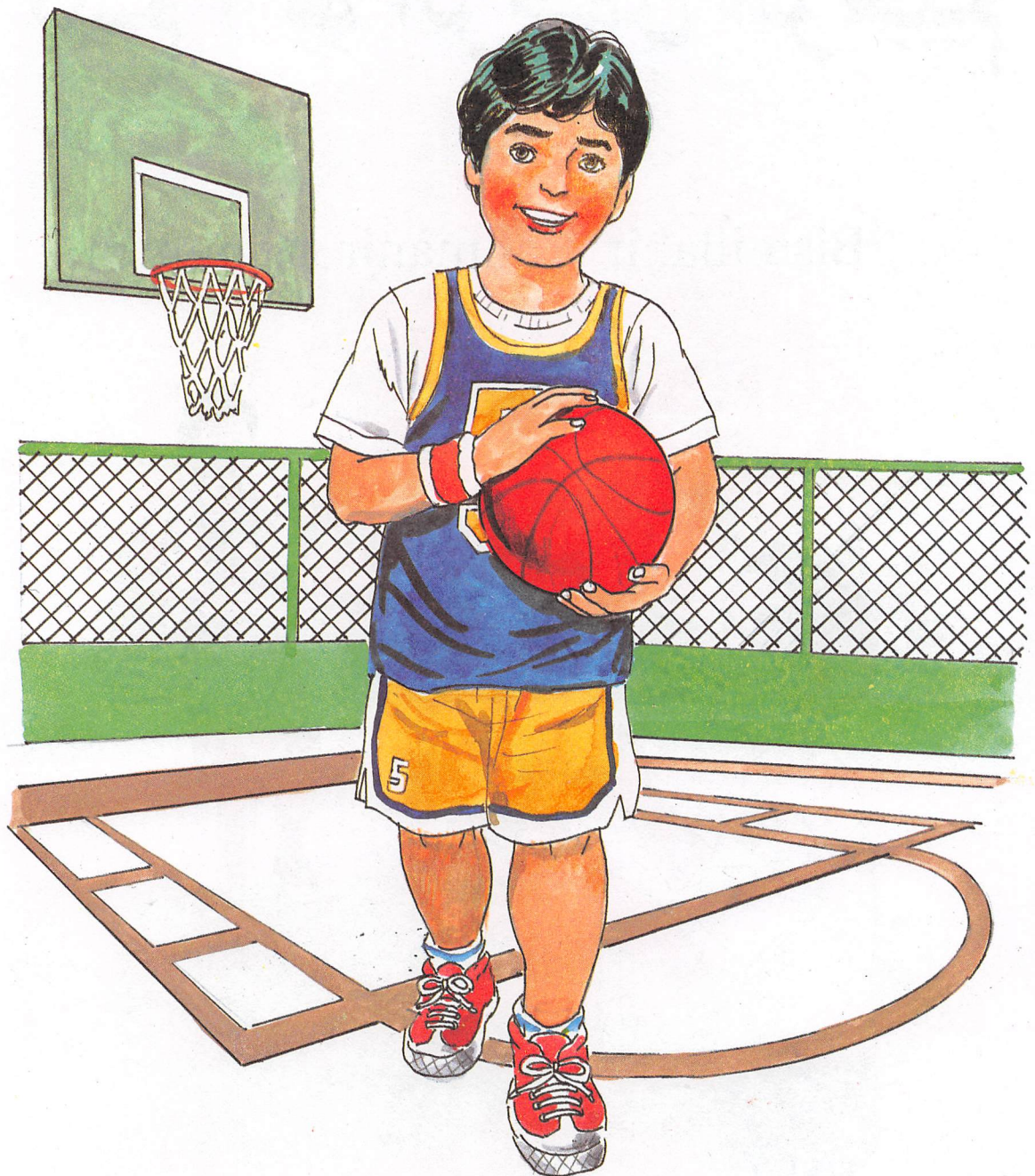
I begin all work  
with these words:

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim



I am Ahmad.  
Assalamu Alaikum





# Assalamu Alaikum Wa-Alaikumus-Salam



# Kalimah

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

مُحَمَّدٌ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

Lailaha Illal Lahu  
Muhammadur Rasulullah

There is no God but  
Allah.

Muhammad is the  
Prophet of Allah.

I say the **Kalimah**  
before sleeping.  
I sleep early.



I sleep on my right side with my right hand under the cheek.

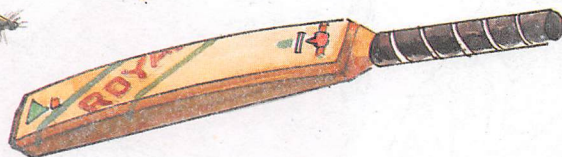
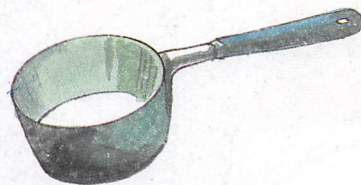
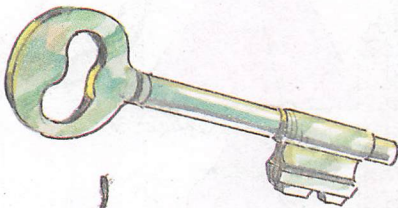
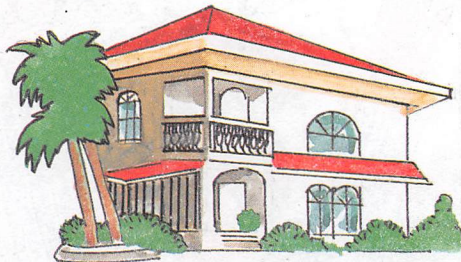
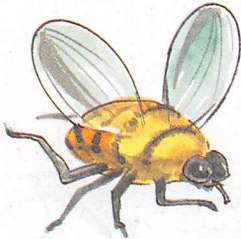
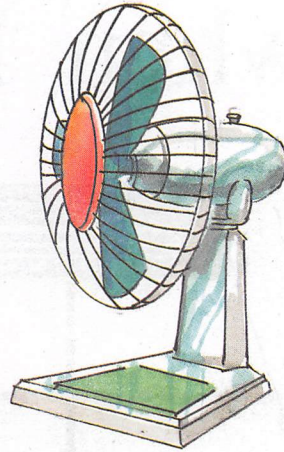
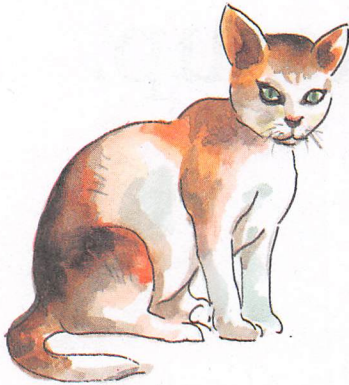


I get up early  
in the morning.

I say the Kalimah  
when I wake up.



Join the rhyming pictures.



Allah made them all

# Allah

Allah created me.

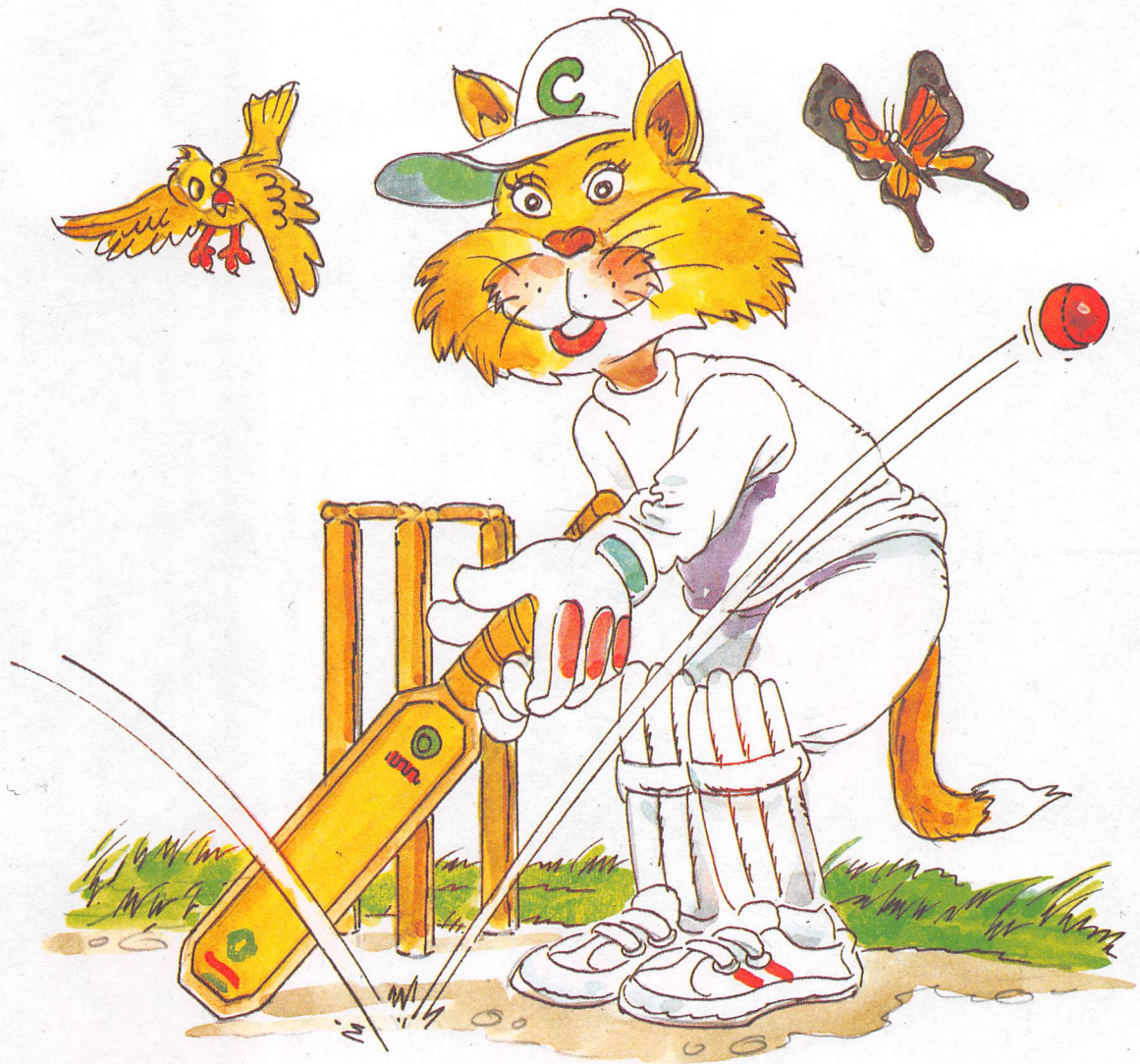
Allah created these  
flowers.

Allah made this  
butterfly.



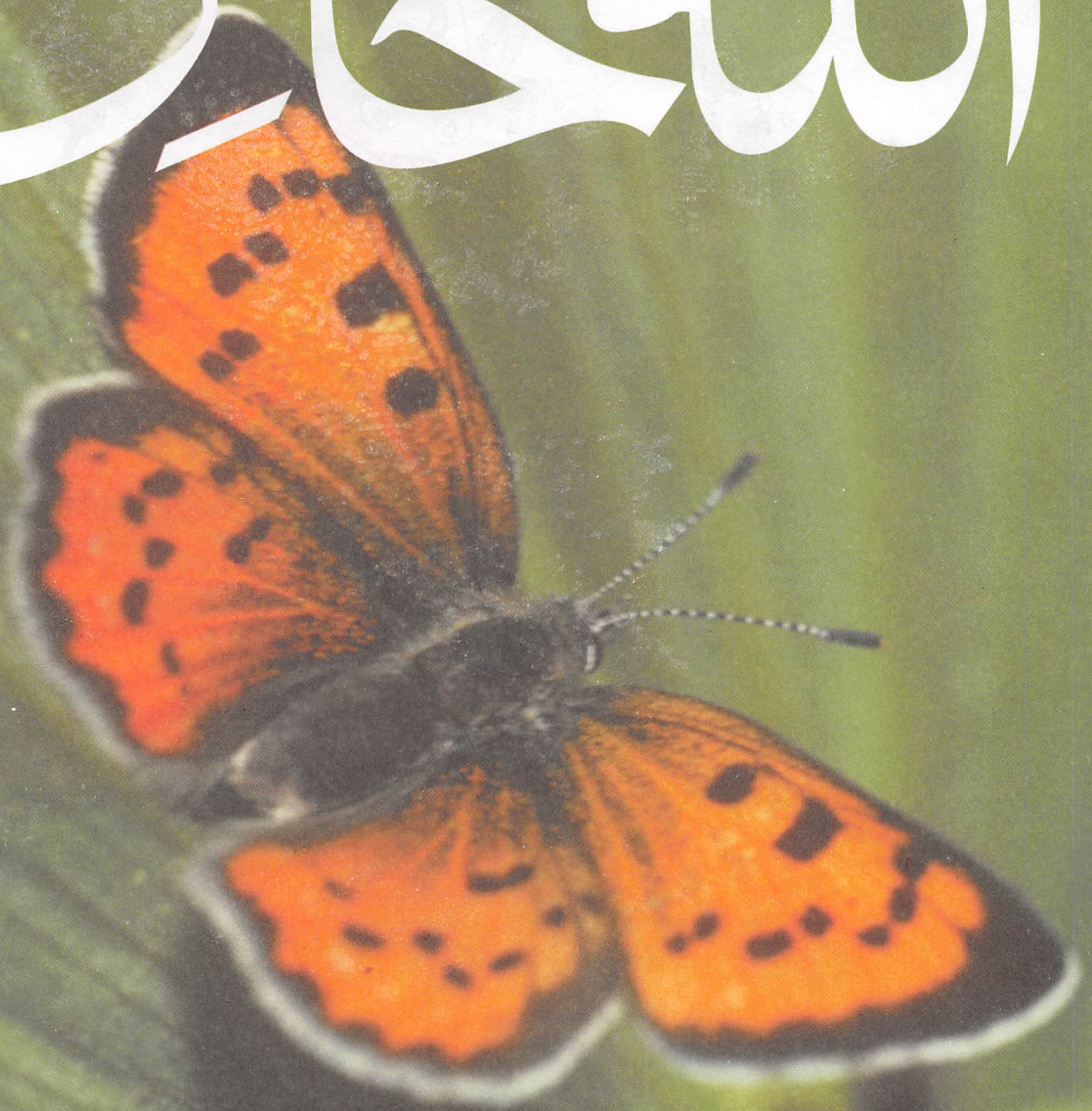


Allah made this cat.



Allah made everything.

اللَّهُ خَالِقُ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ

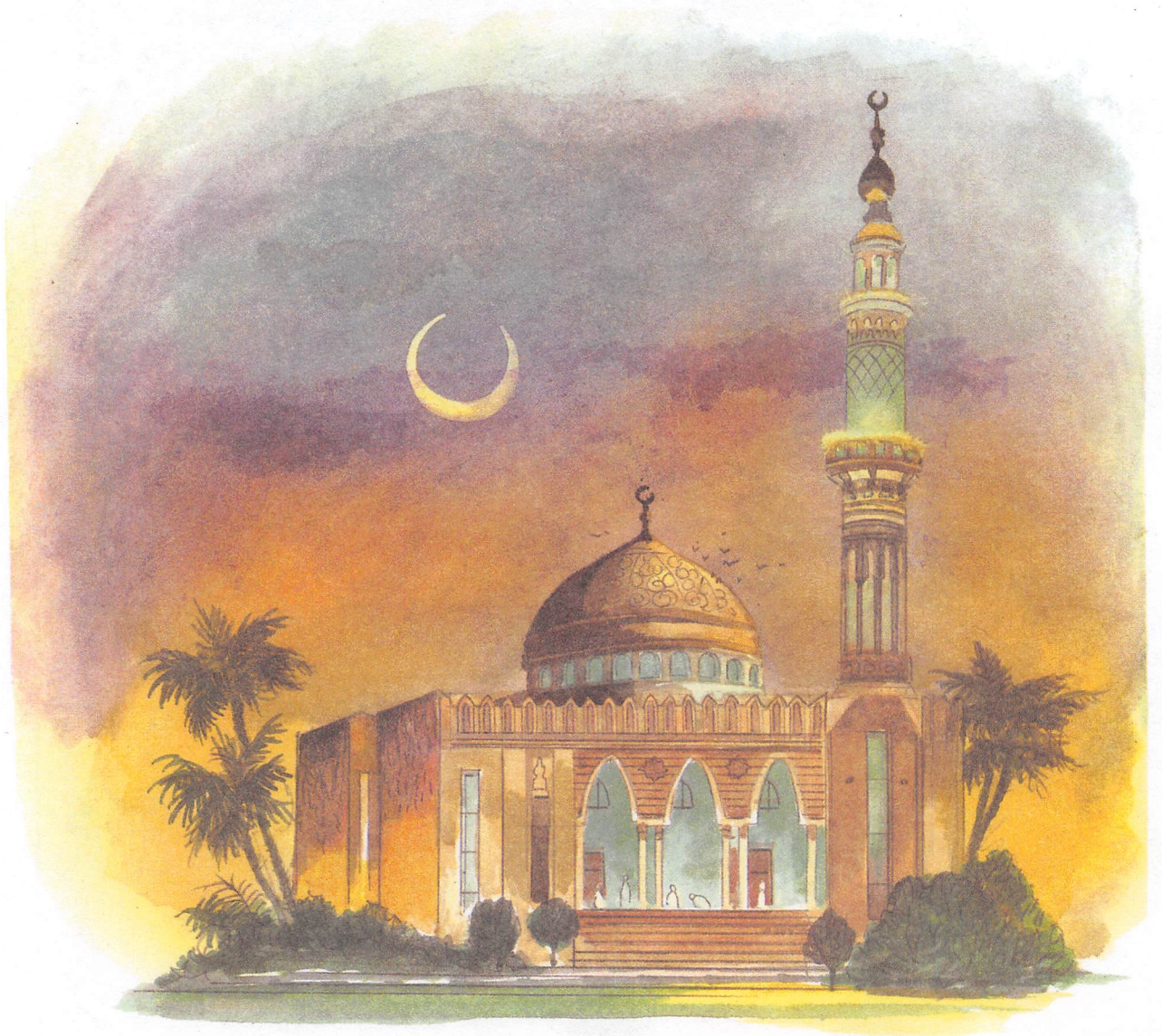


Allah is the Creator  
or Khaaliq.

الله أكبر

Allah is my Lord.

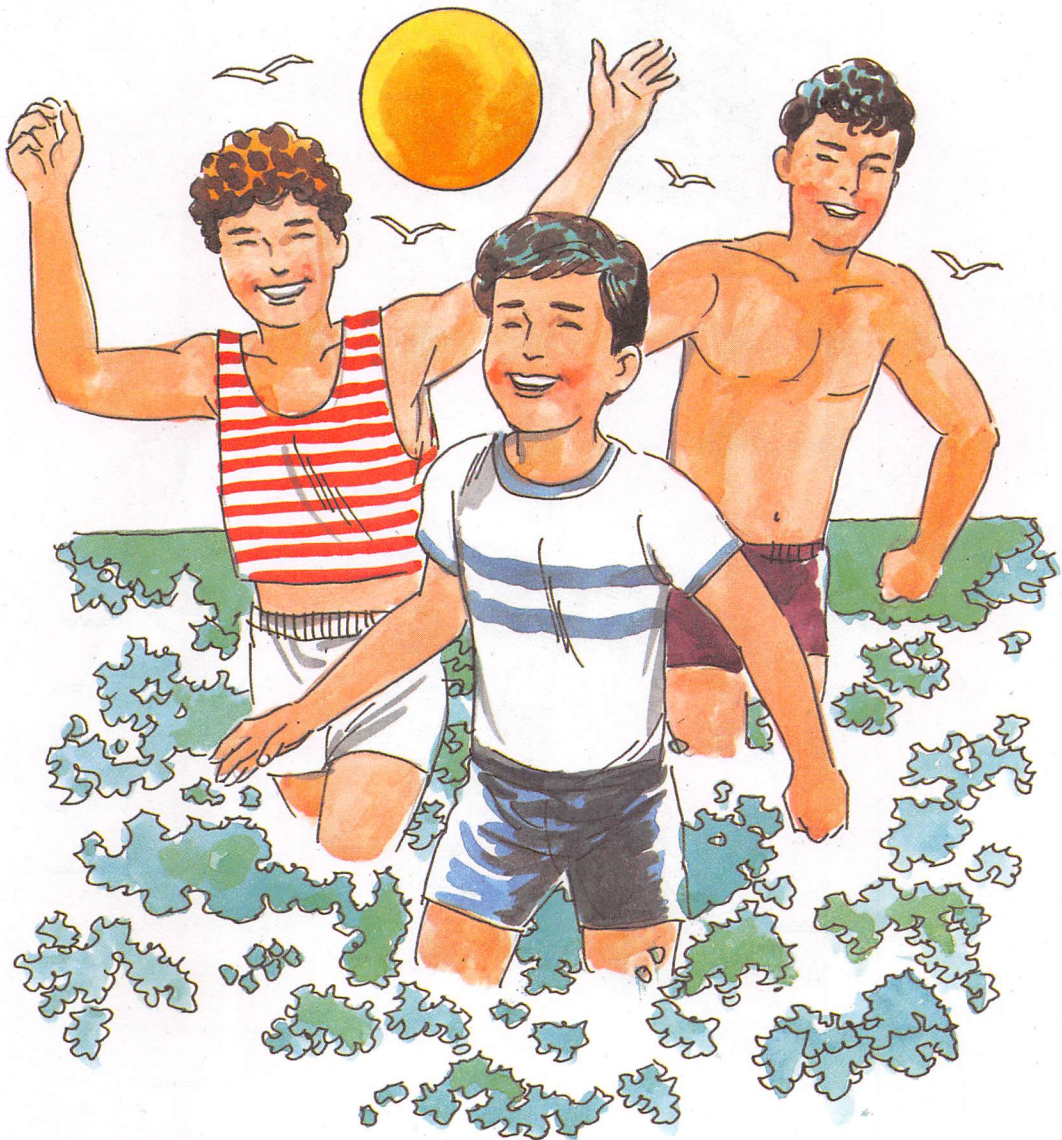




Muhammad is the  
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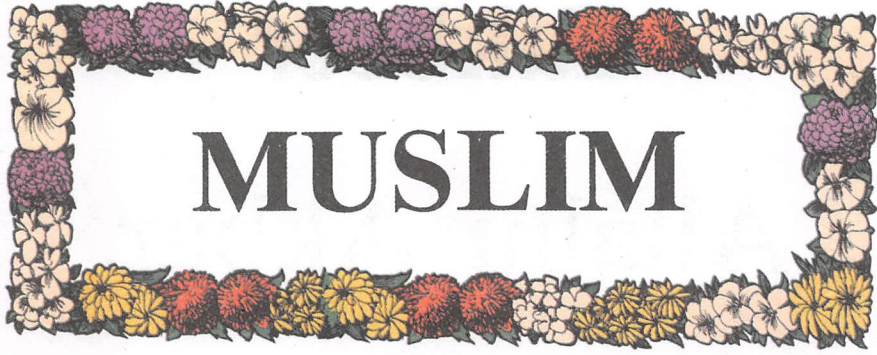
Sallallahu-alayhi-Wasallam.

I love Allah  
and  
I love Prophet  
Muhammad.



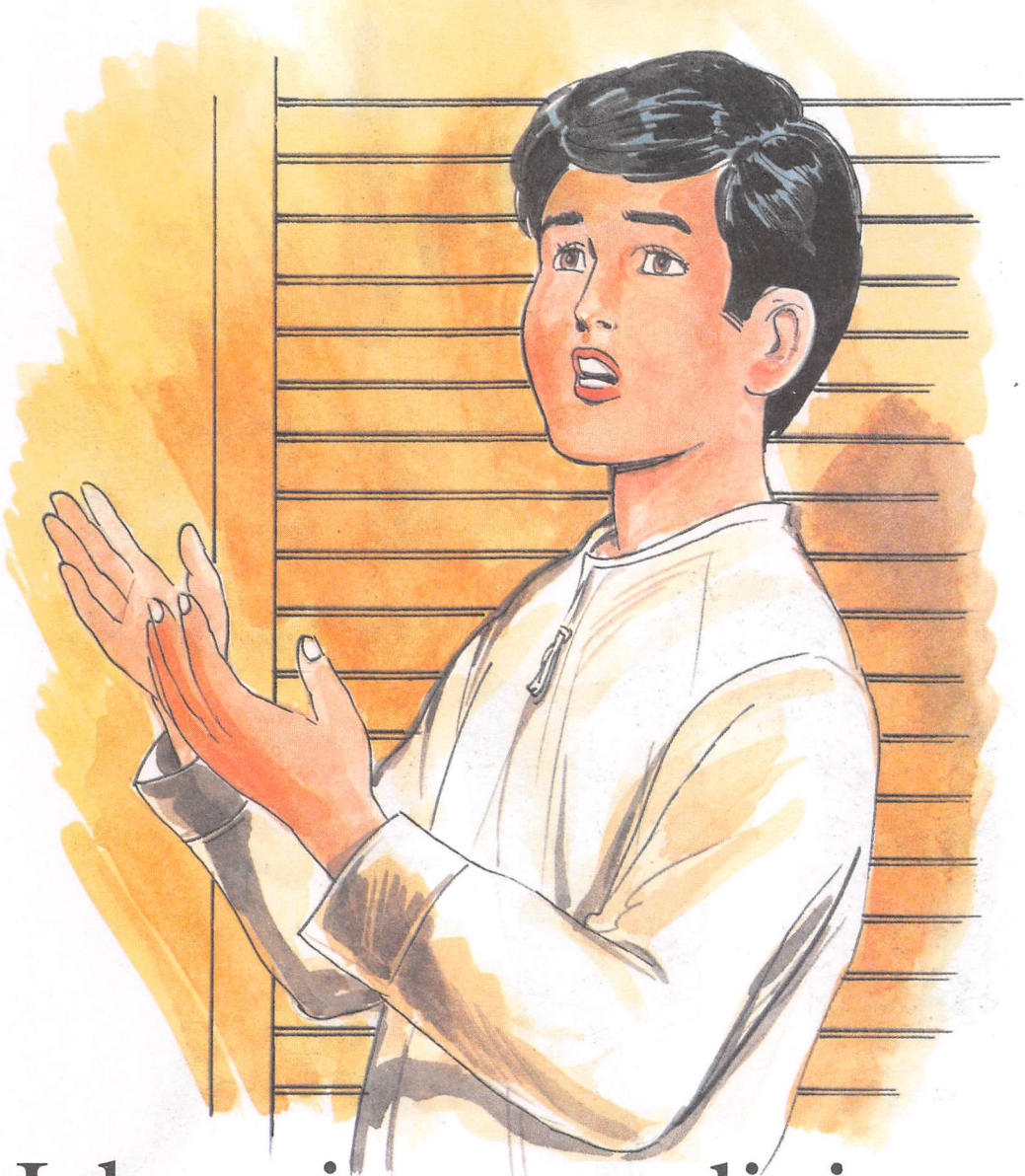
The **Quran** is the  
book of Allah.





**MUSLIM**

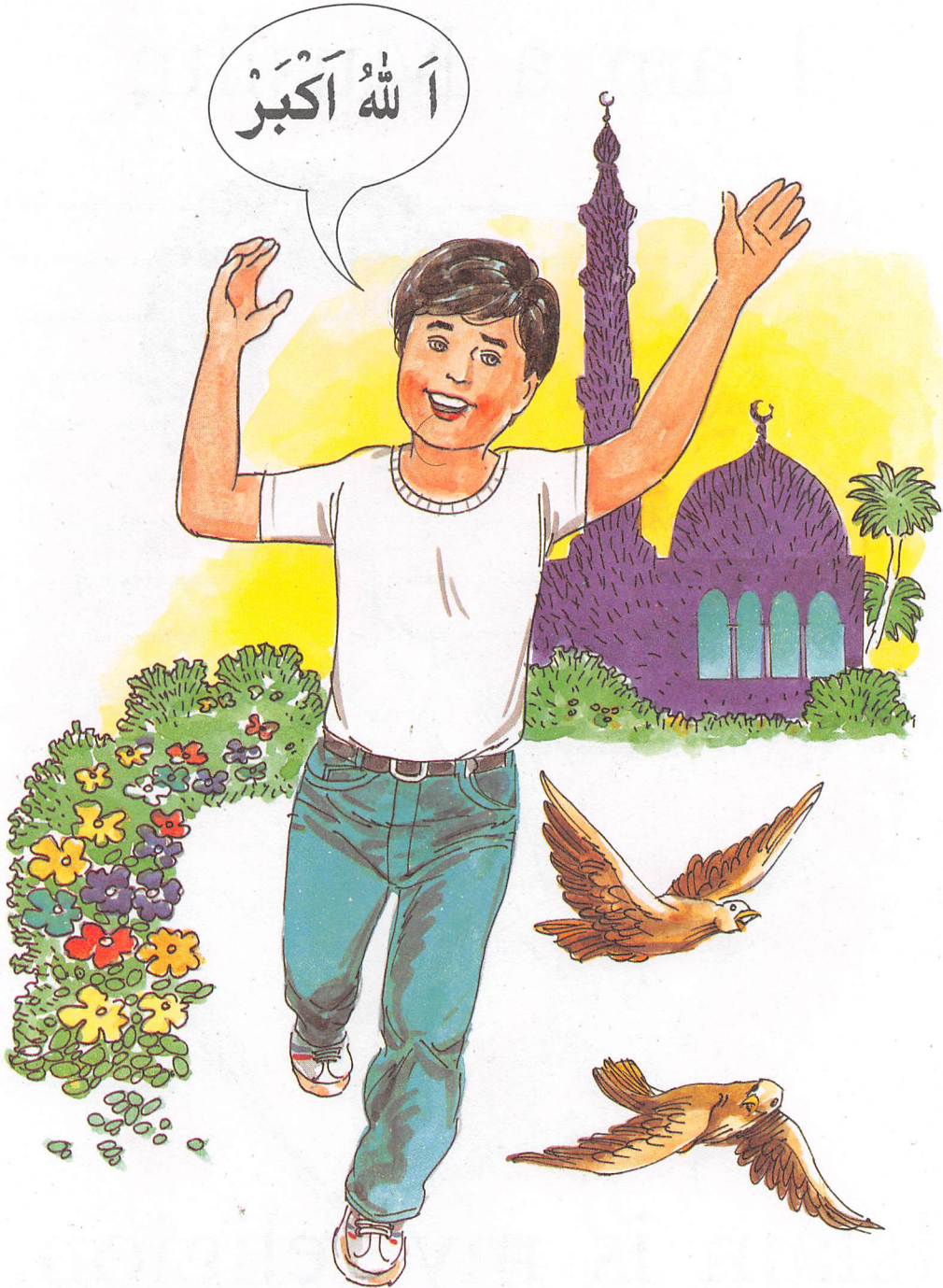
I am a Muslim



Islam is my religion.

# Takbeer

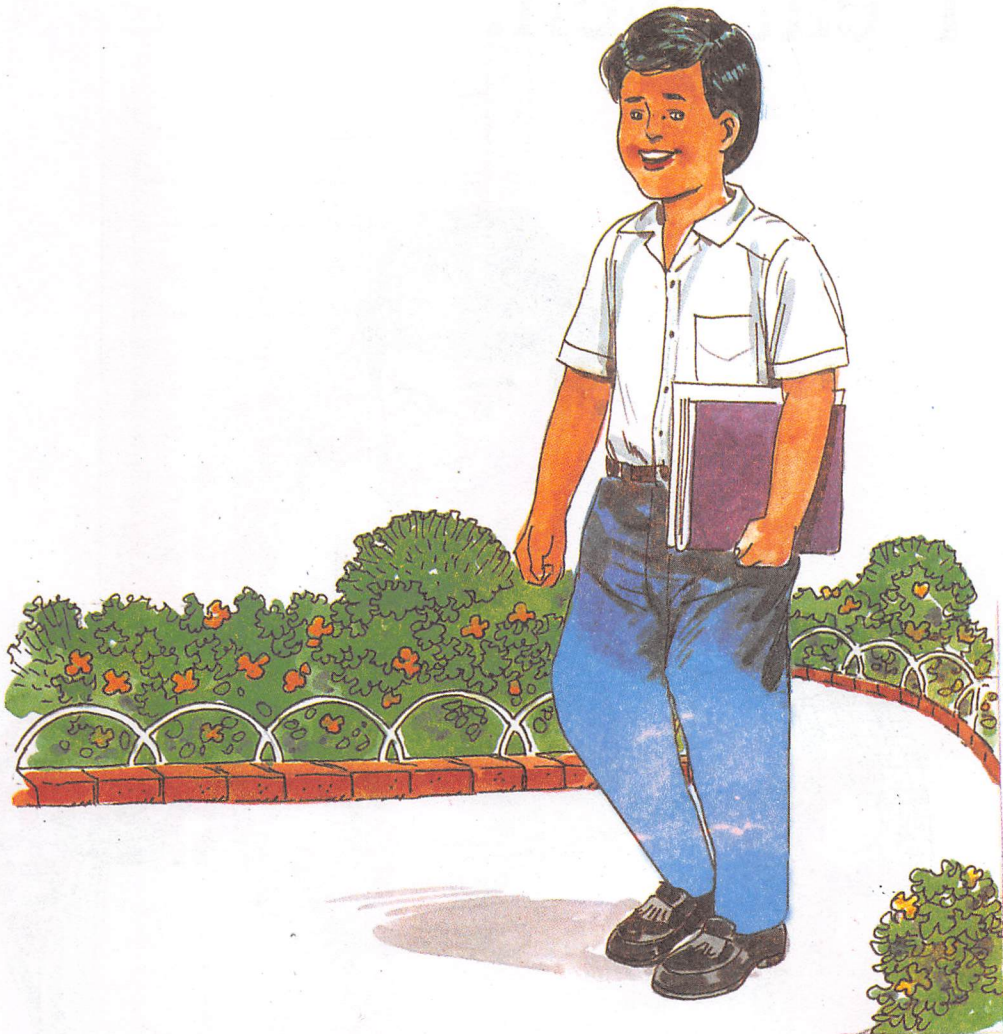
Allahu Akbar.





I do not run while walking.

I walk carefully. I take strong steps. I walk on the pavement at the side of the road. I do not run in the school.



I wash my hands  
before eating. I say:

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

before eating.

I eat well.



I drink water slowly. I drink it in 3 gulps. I say Bismillah before drinking water. I say Alhamdu Lillah after drinking water.



I say this dua after eating.



الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَطْعَمَنَا

وَسَقَانَا وَجَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

# Dua for knowledge



Rabbi Zidni Ilma

I thank others with  
these words:  
Jazakallah, thank-you



# Thank you Allah



## Thank you Allah

Thank you Allah for Father so dear  
Thank you for Mother who wipes my tear  
Thank you for the flowers too  
Thank you for the sky so blue  
Thank you for the toys I have  
Thank you Allah for all I have.

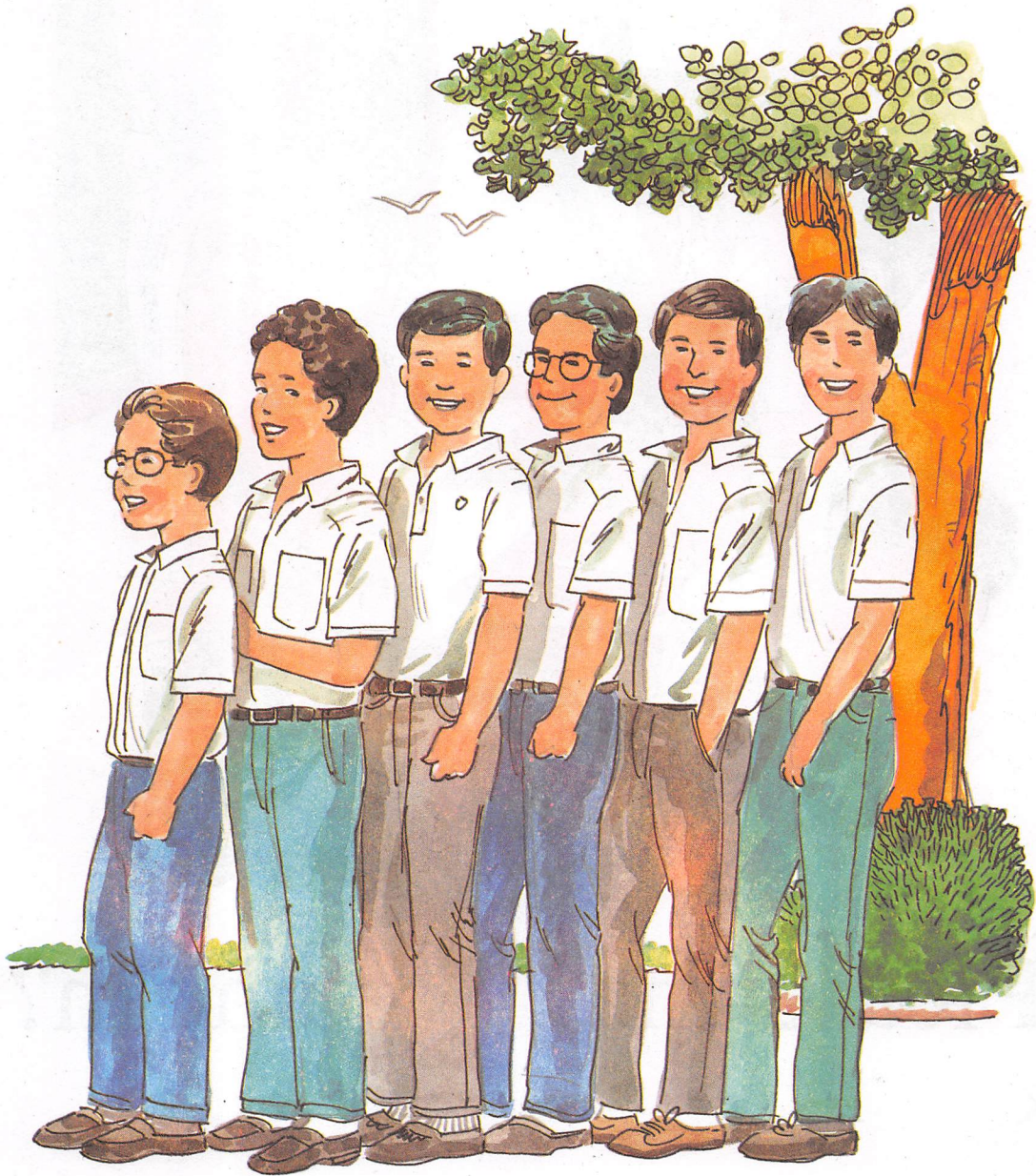
All Muslims are brothers

All Muslims are equal

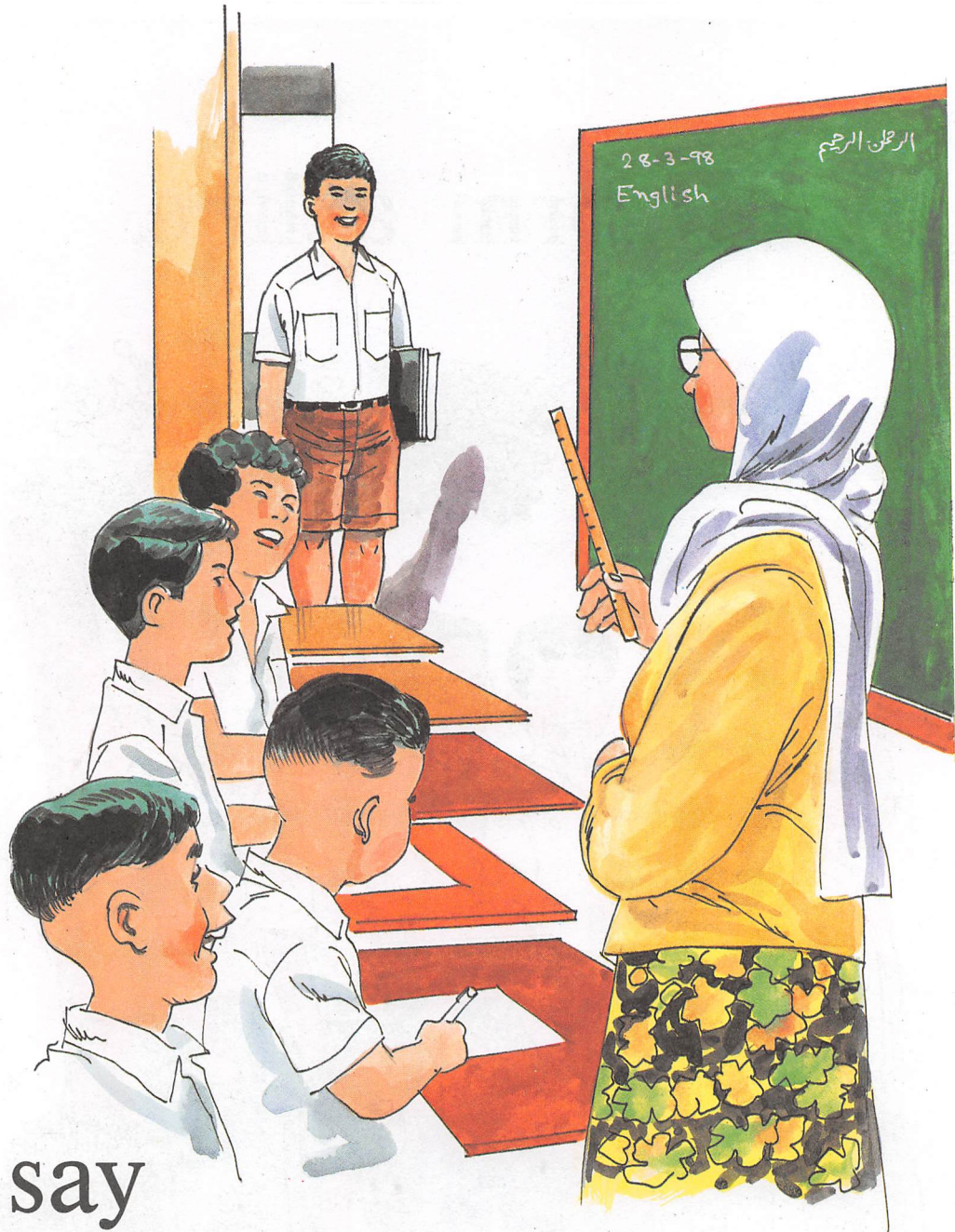




We form a line.



I do not break the line.  
The line is straight.



I say

“Please may I come in?”

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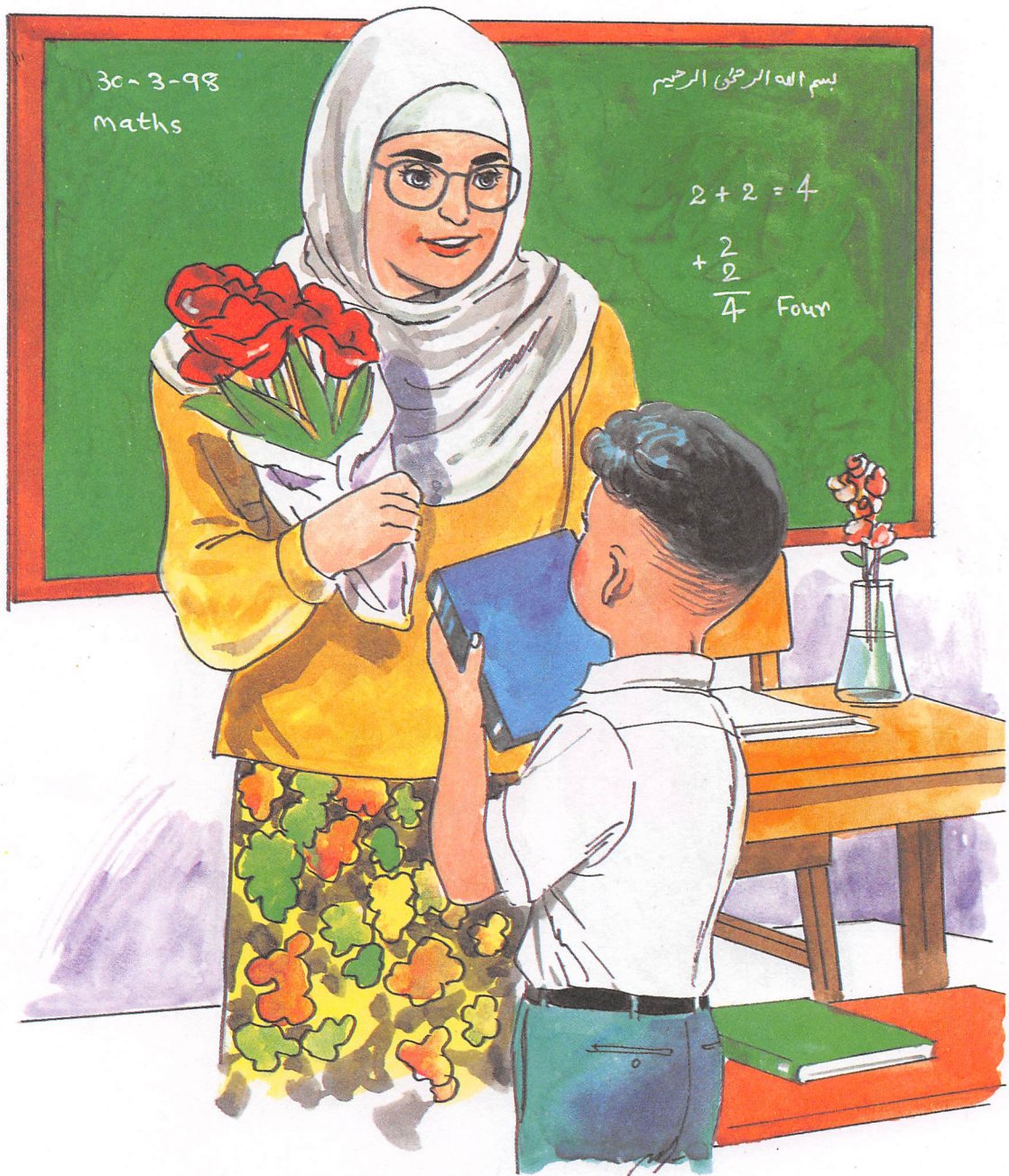
“Please excuse me,”

When I enter the  
classroom.

I say sorry when I  
make a mistake.

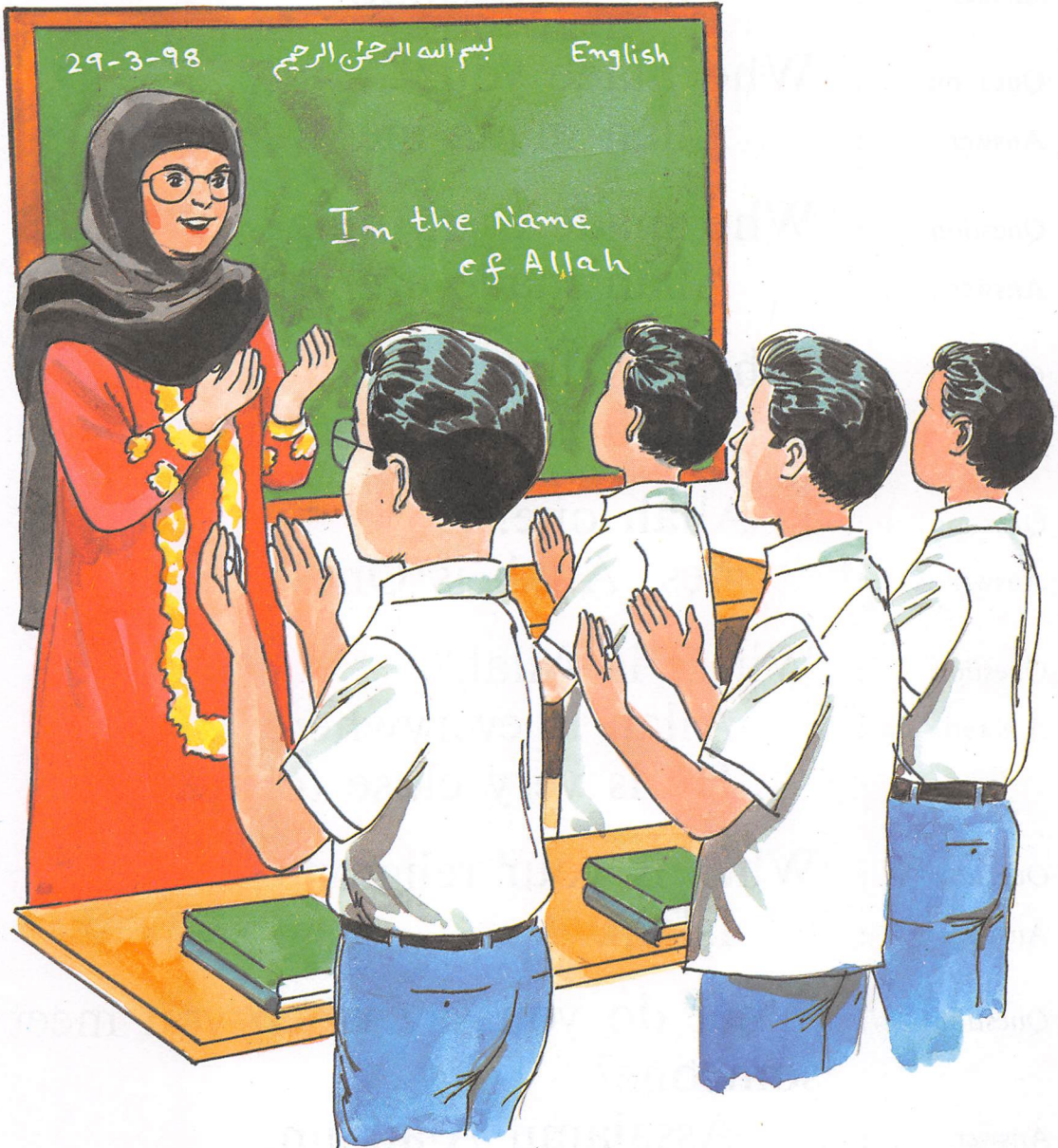


I obey my teacher.  
I love her.  
She loves me.



We say these words before  
starting every study-period:

أَعُوذُ بِاَللّٰهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيْمِ  
بِسْمِ اَللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ



# Revision

*Question* : Who are you?

*Answer* : I am a Muslim.

*Question* : Who made you?

*Answer* : Allah made me.

*Question* : Who made everything?

*Answer* : Allah made everything.

*Question* : Who is Allah?

*Answer* : Allah is our Creator.

*Question* : Is Allah one?

*Answer* : Yes, Allah is One.

*Question* : Where is Allah?

*Answer* : Allah is everywhere.  
He is very close to me.

*Question* : What is your religion?

*Answer* : Islam.

*Question* : What do you say when you meet someone?

*Answer* : Assalamu Alaikum.

*Question* : What do you say when someone says Assalamu Alaikum to you?

*Answer* : Wa-Alaikumus-Salam.

*Question* : What do you say after saying Assalamu Alaikum?

*Answer* : I say, "How are you?"

*Question* : What do you say when someone says "How are you?"

*Answer* : Alhamdu Lillah, fine, thank-you.

*Question* : What will you say to thank others?

*Answer* : Jazakallah, thank you.

*Question* : Do you thank Allah?

*Answer* : Yes, I thank Allah for all His gifts.

*Question* : Recite the Kalimah.

*Answer* : La Ilaha Illallahu Muhammadur Rasoolullah.

*Question* : Who is Prophet Muhammad (SAW)?

*Answer* : Prophet Muhammad (SAW) is the Prophet of Allah.

*Question* : What do you say before doing any work?  
*Answer* : Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

*Question* : What do you say before sleeping and after waking up?  
*Answer* : The kalimah.

*Question* : What is the Quran?  
*Answer* : The Quran is the book of Allah.

*Question* : To whom was the Quran given?  
*Answer* : To Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

*Question* : Recite the Takbeer.  
*Answer* : Allahu Akbar.

*Question* : How do you walk?  
*Answer* : I walk carefully. I do not run. I walk at the side of the road.

*Question* : What do you do before eating?  
*Answer* : I wash my hands and say Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim before eating.



*Question* : How do you drink water?

*Answer* : I drink water slowly in three gulps.

*Question* : What dua do you say after food? Find out.

*Question* : What is the dua for getting knowledge?  
Find out.

*Question* : What do you say before entering the  
classroom?

*Answer* : I say, "Please may I come in?"

*Question* : Are all Muslims equal?

*Answer* : Yes, all Muslims are equal.

*Question* : What do you say when you make a mistake?

*Answer* : I am sorry.

*Question* : Do you love and obey your teacher?

*Answer* : Yes, I love and obey my teacher.

*Question* : Does your teacher love you?

*Answer* : Yes, my teacher loves me.

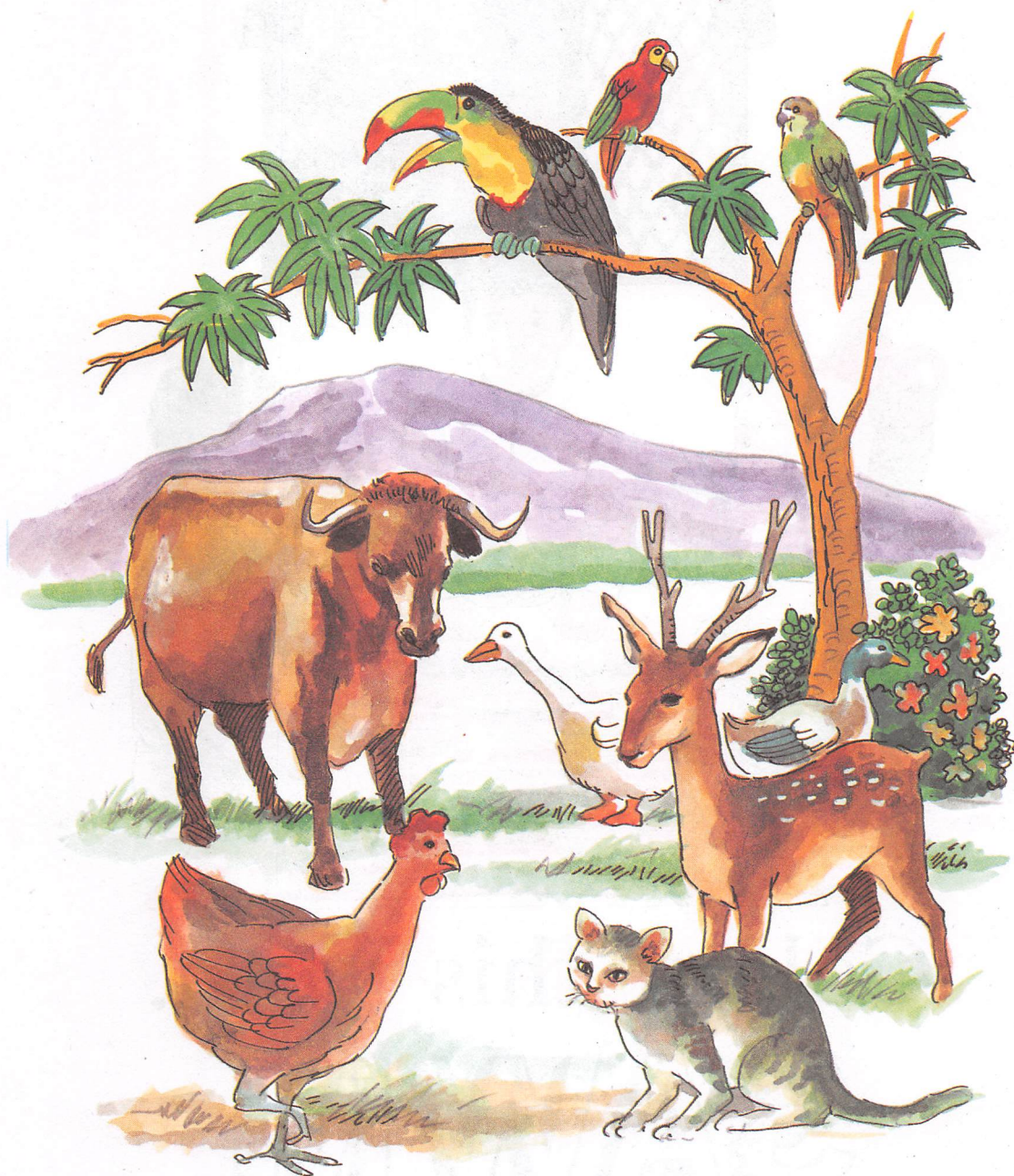
*Question* : What dua do you say before every study  
period? Find out.

# SALAT

We all pray to Allah  
Salat means to pray.



Animals and birds  
also pray. Everything  
prays to Allah.



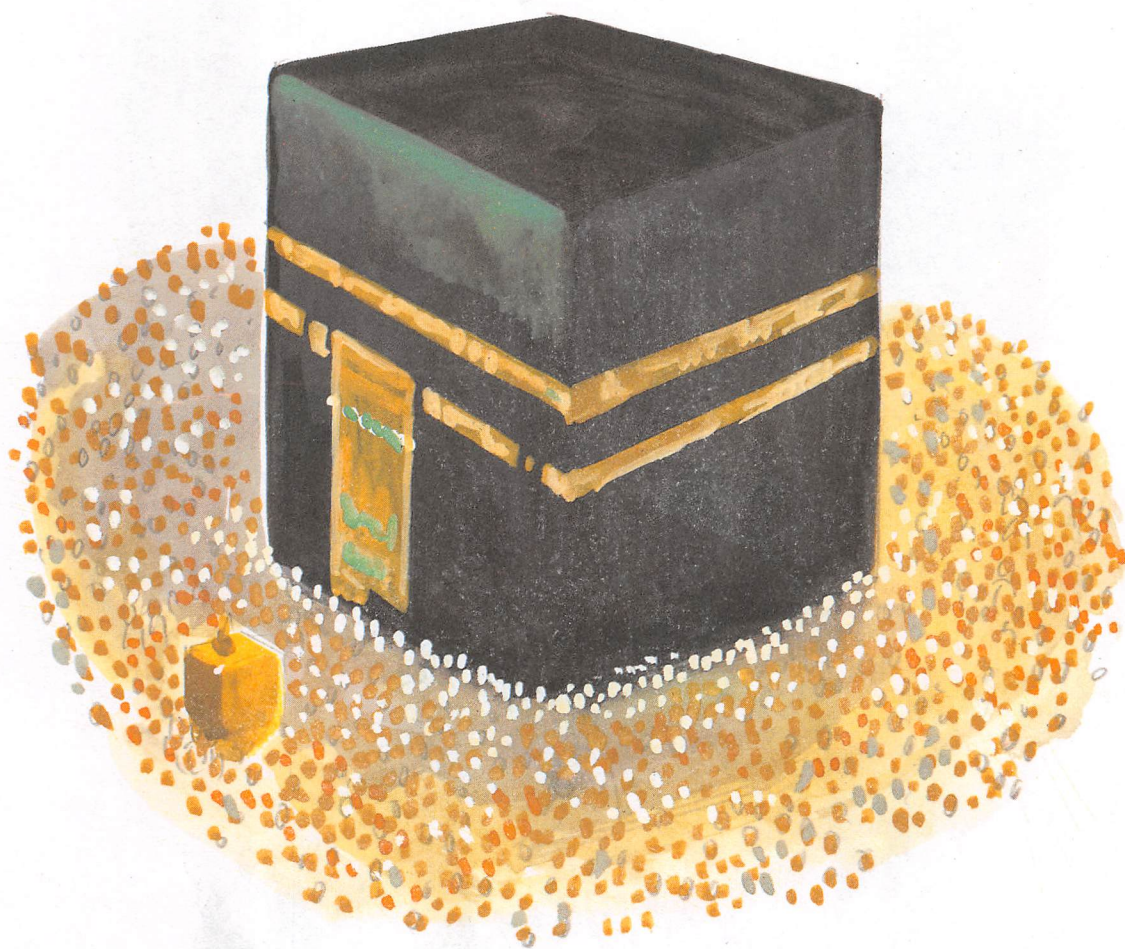
I observe Sawm in  
Ramadan.



Colour this word.

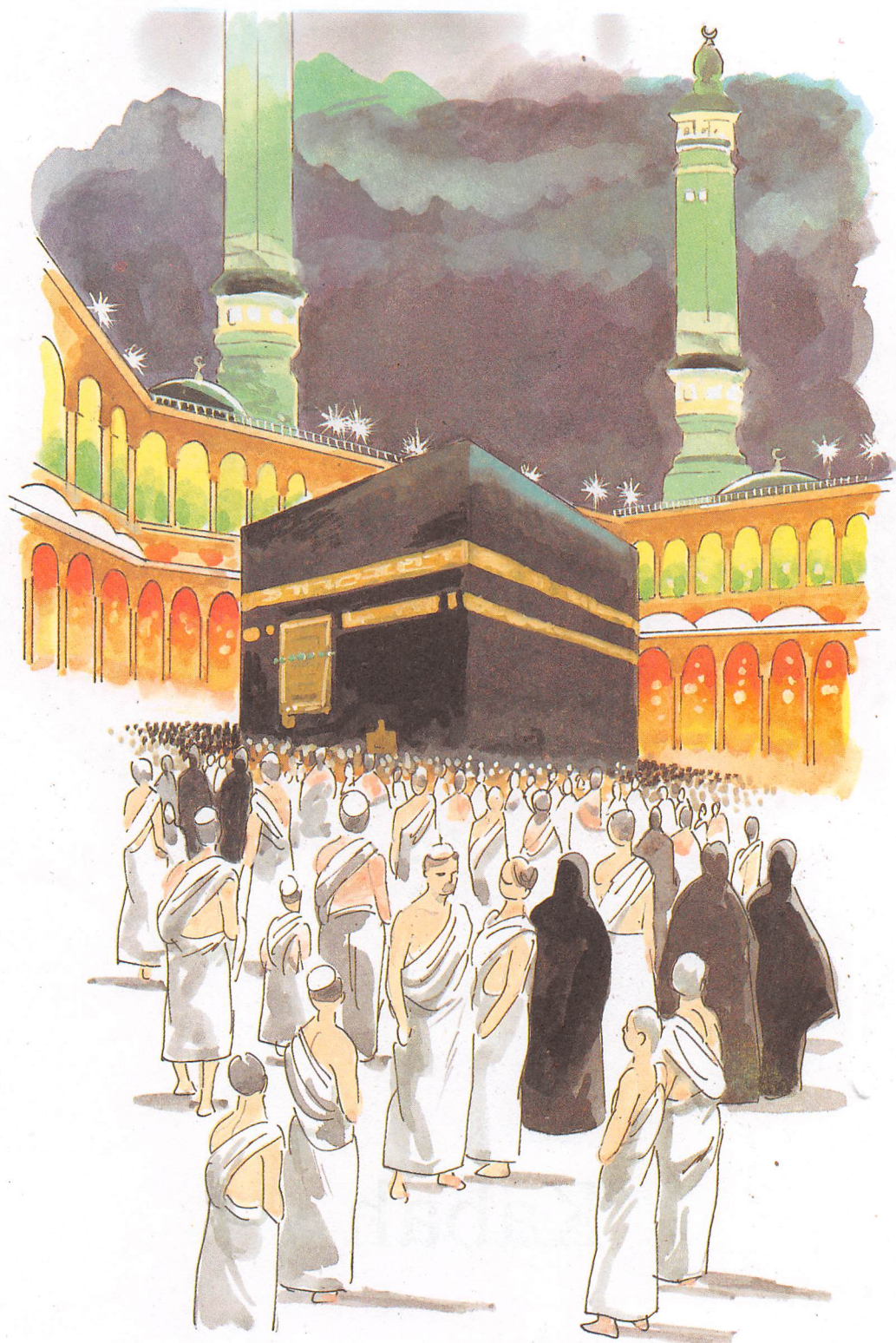
**SAWM**

The **Kabah** is my Qiblah.



**Kabah**

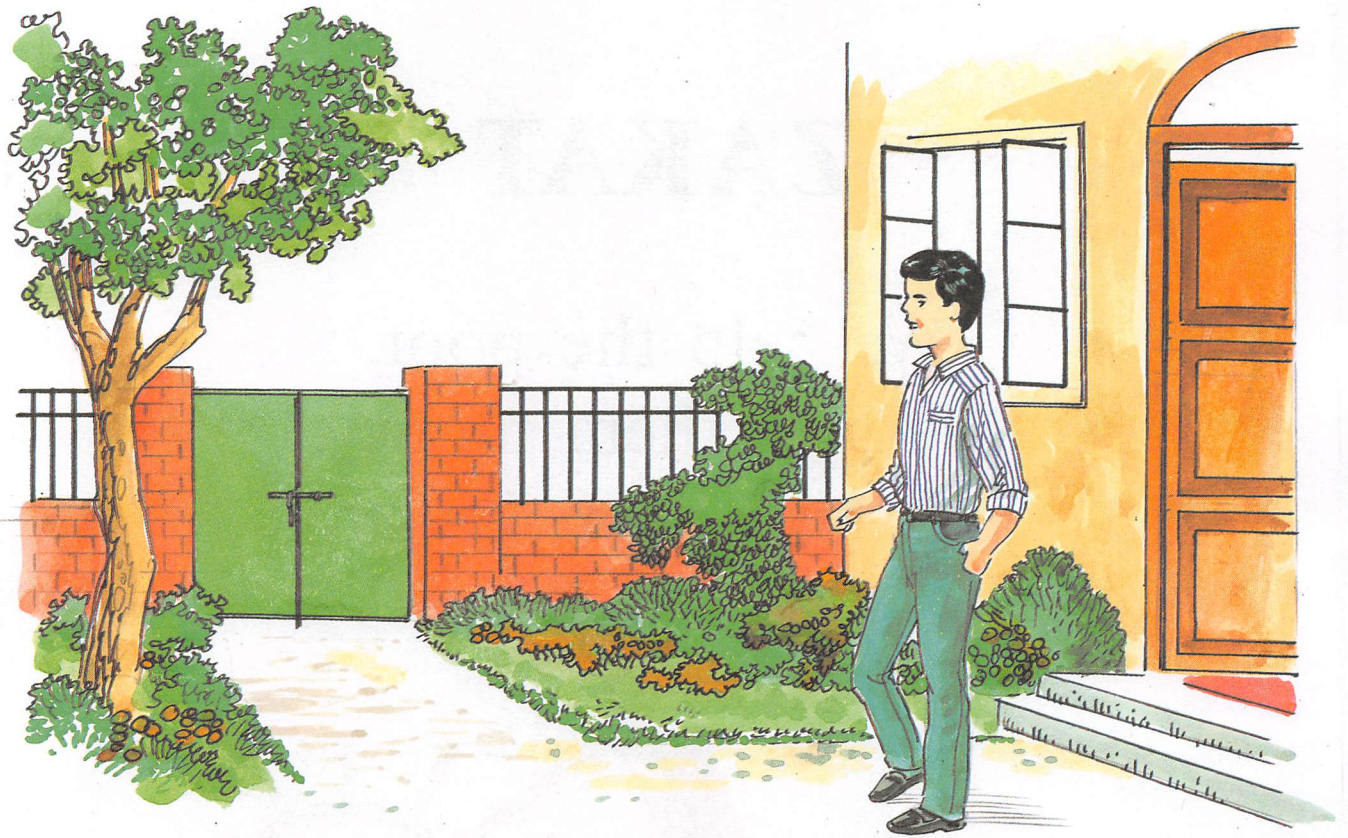
# We go to the Kabah for Haj.



# ZAKAT

We help the poor.  
We give them money.  
We give them Zakat.





I say this dua when I  
go out.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

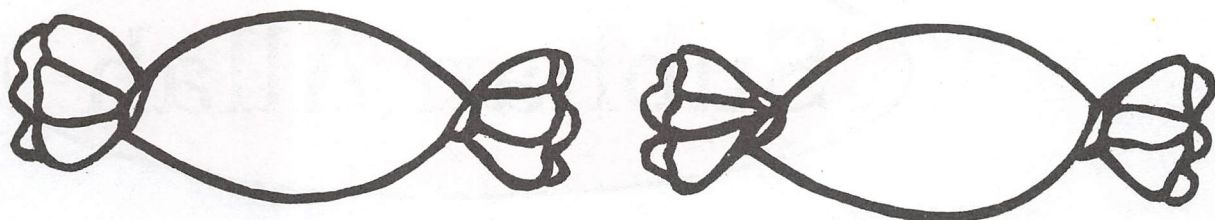
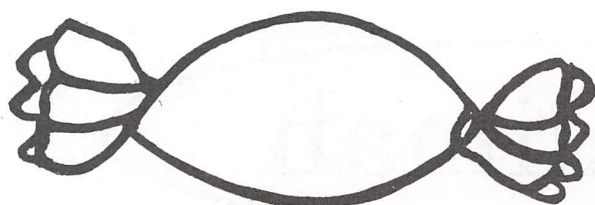
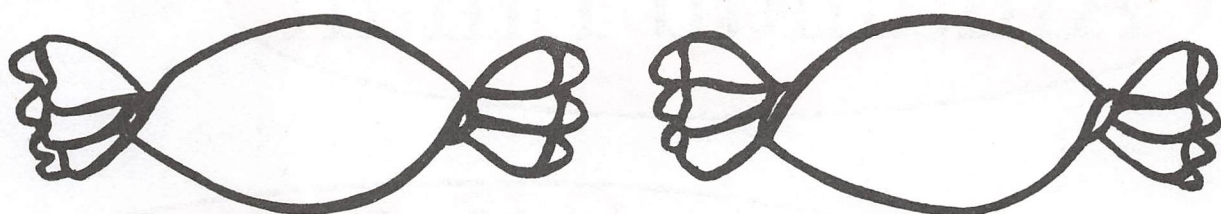
I do not go out alone.

I do not go out at night.



Write these words in the  
toffees and colour them:

Allah, Salat, Zakat,  
Sawm, Haj



# PIOUS WORDS

Bismillah

Allahu Akbar

Alhamdu Lillah

Allah

Kalimah

Subhan Allah

Masha Allah

Jazakallah

Prophet Muhammad  
(S.A.W)

Assalamu Alaikum

Salat

Zakat

Sawm

Haj

Hadees

Iman

Astaghfirullah

Fi-amanillah

# Dua

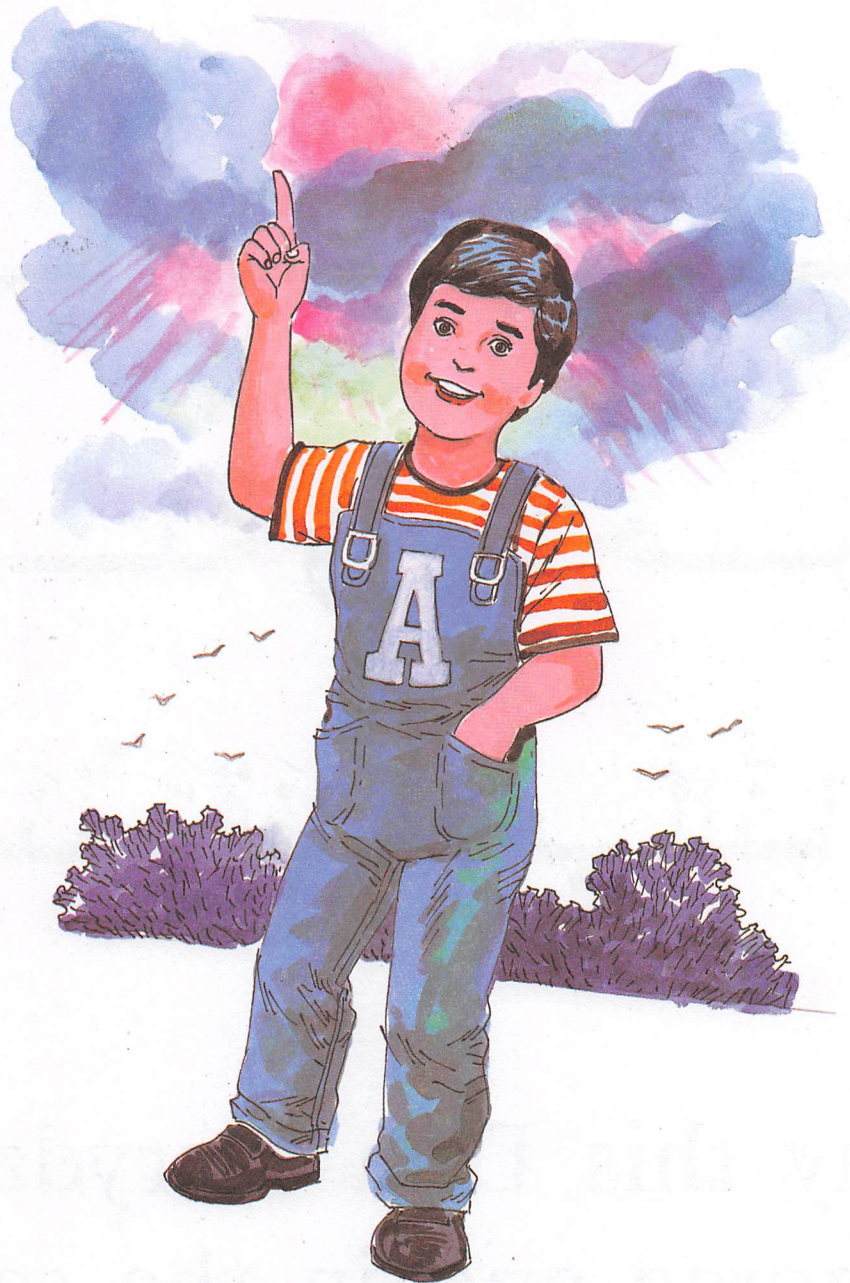
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حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ

حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ

I say this Dua everyday  
at home and in the school  
after the last period at  
home time.

I tell the truth.



Allah does not like  
those who tell lies.

## Revision

*Question* : What is salat?

*Answer* : Salat means to pray to Allah.

*Question* : How do we talk to Allah?

*Answer* : We talk to Allah through salat.

*Question* : How does Allah talk to us?

*Answer* : Allah talks to us through the Quran.

*Question* : Does everything pray to Allah?

*Answer* : Yes.

*Question* : Do animals and birds also pray to Allah?

*Answer* : Yes.

*Question* : What is Sawm?

*Answer* : Sawm means to fast.

*Question* : What is the Qiblah?

*Answer* : The Qiblah is the direction towards which we pray.

*Question* : Which is our Qiblah?

*Answer* : The Kabah is our Qiblah

*Question* : Where do we go for Haj

*Answer* : We go to the Kabah for Haj.

*Question* : What is Zakat?

*Answer* : Zakat is the money we give to help the poor.

*Question* : Which dua do you say before going out of the house? Find out.

*Question* : How do you talk?

*Answer* : I talk slowly and clearly. I do not shout.

*Question* : What do you say when you sneeze?

*Answer* : Alhamdu Lillah.

*Question* : What do you say when someone sneezes?

*Answer* : Yarhamukallah

*Question* : Which dua do you say everyday at home and also in the school after the last period?

*Answer* : Rabbana atina... (Complete dua).



*Question* : Who is our One and Only master and King?  
*Answer* : Allah.

*Question* : Whom should we try to please?  
*Answer* : Allah only.

*Question* : Who is a Prophet?  
*Answer* : A Prophet is a messenger of Allah.

*Question* : Who was the first Prophet?  
*Answer* : Prophet Adam (AS).

*Question* : Who was the last Prophet?  
*Answer* : Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

*Question* : Who are angels?  
*Answer* : Angels are servants of Allah.

*Question* : Who brought the Quran from Allah to Prophet Muhammad?  
*Answer* : Angel Jibrail.

Question : Can an angel be God?

Answer : No.

Question : Can a Prophet be God?

Answer : No.

Question : Can any man or thing be God?

Answer : No.

Question : How can you be clean?

Answer : I can be clean by brushing my teeth, taking a bath, cutting my nails and wearing clean clothes.

Question : How do you clean your uniform?

Answer : I wash and iron my uniform everyday.

Question : Do you tell the truth?

Answer : Yes, I tell the truth.

# Shahadah

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ



I bear witness that there is no God but Allah and I bear witness that Muhammad is the Prophet of Allah.

# Surah-al-Ikhlās

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ ①

اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ ②

لَمْ يَلِدْ ③ وَلَمْ يُولَدْ ④

وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ ⑤

# Surah-al-Fatihah

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ١

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ٢ الرَّحْمَنِ

الرَّحِيمِ ٣ مُلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ ٤

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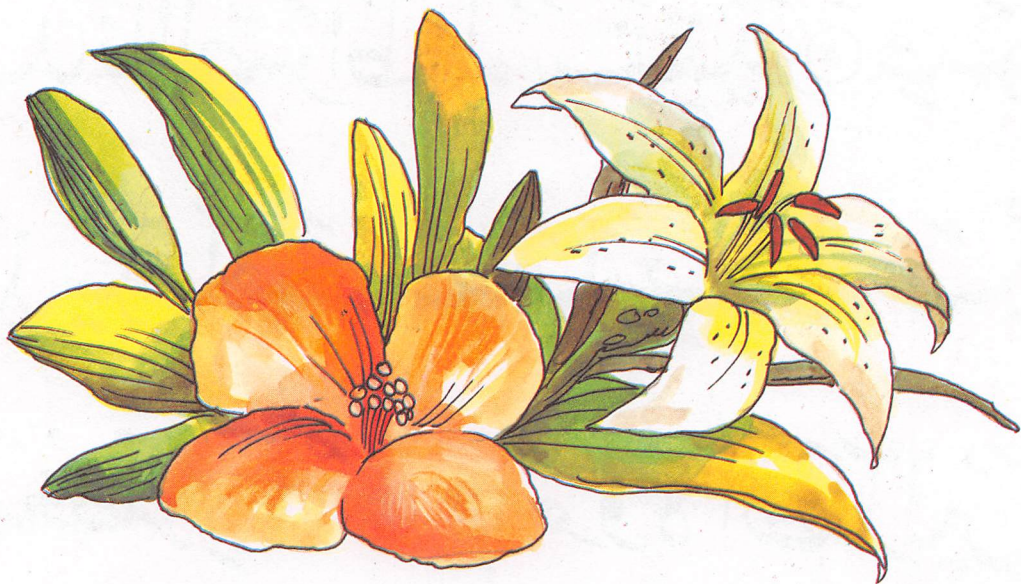
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# Hadees

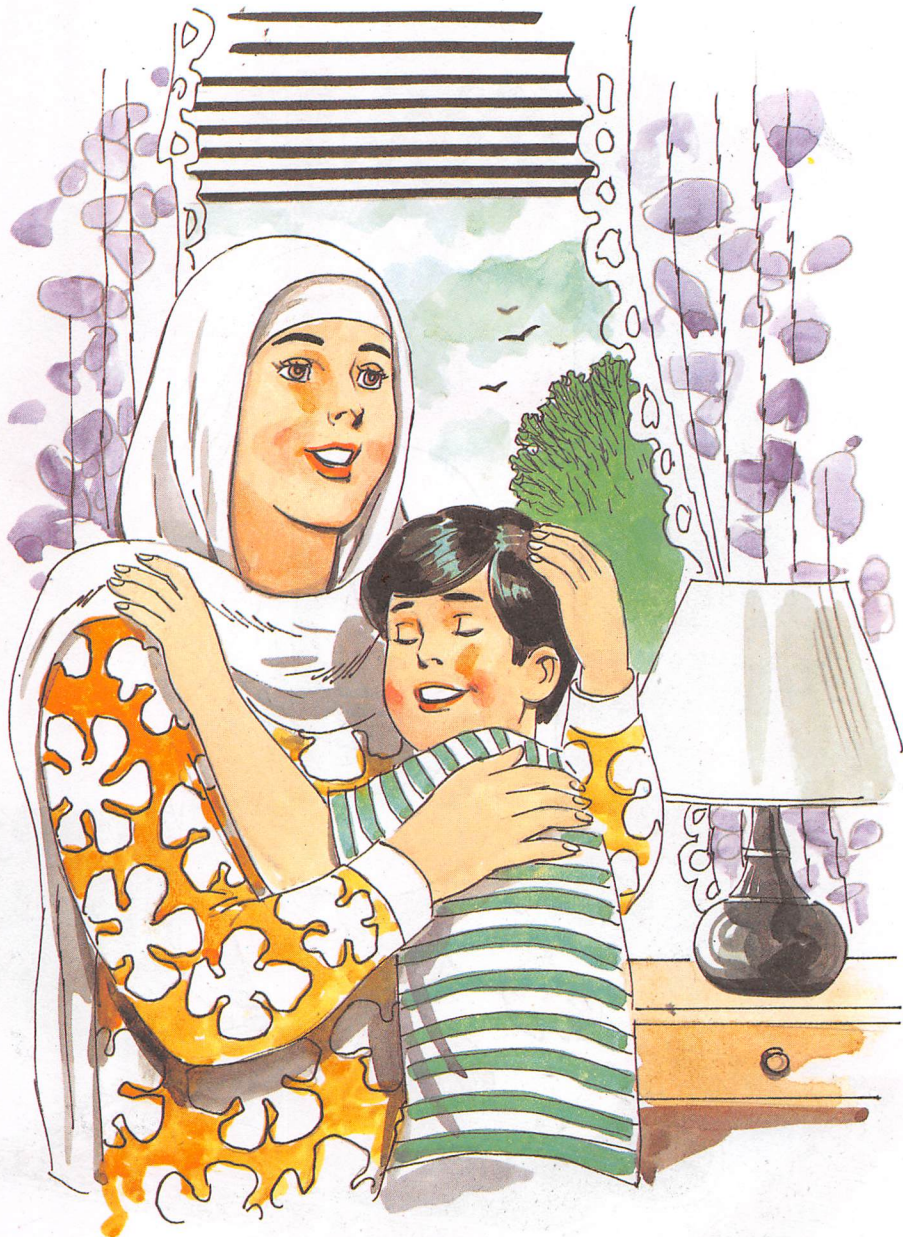


A hadees means the words of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.).



# HADEES

“Heaven lies below  
the mother’s feet.”



I love my mother.

# HADEES

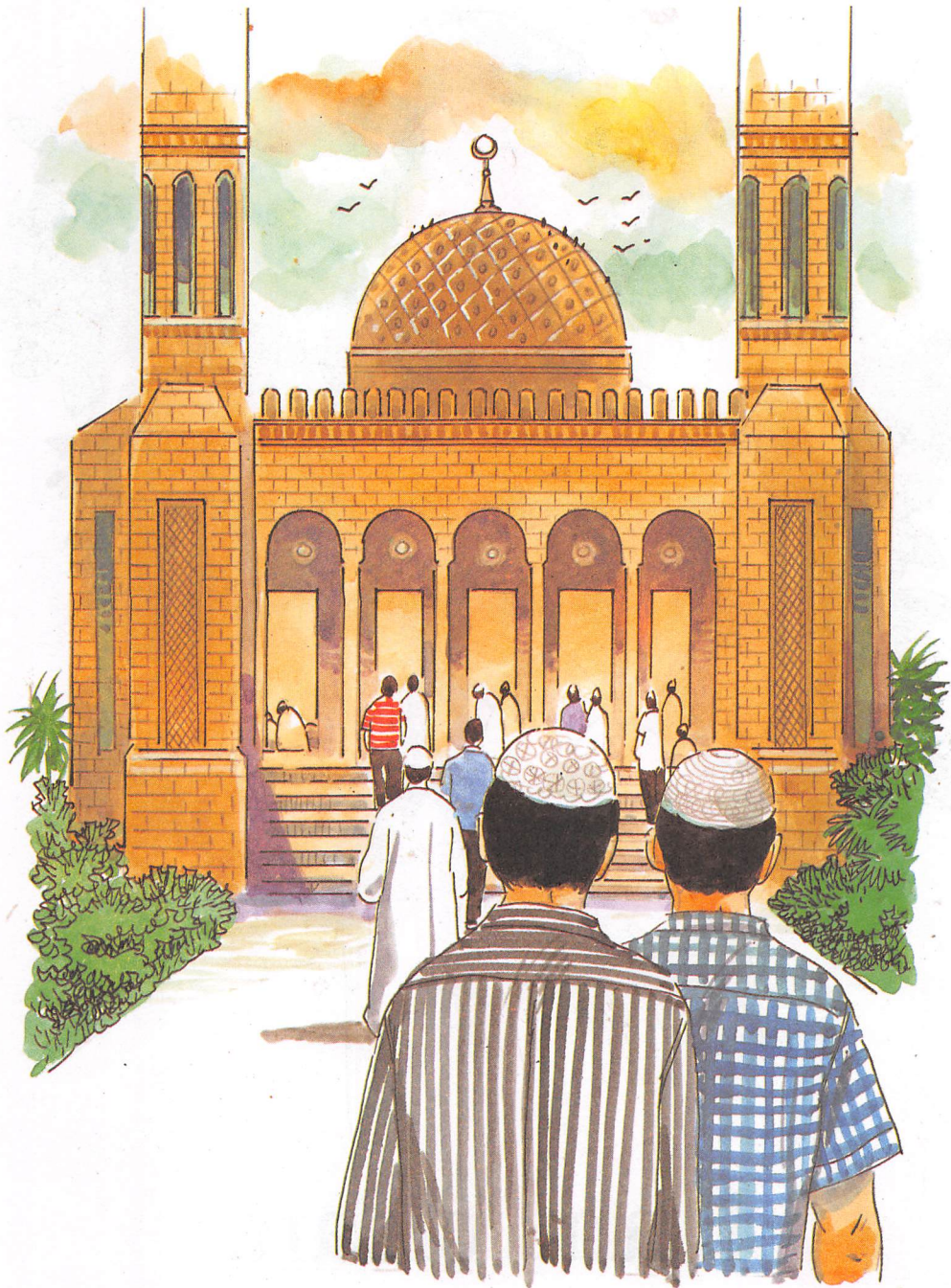
Salat is light.





I say this dua when  
I enter the mosque.

اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ



# HADEES

Cleanliness is half  
the faith.



I am clean.

# HADEES

Children are the  
flowers of heaven.



Children are good.

## Revision

*Question* : What is the meaning of the Kalimah?

*Answer* : The Kalimah means: There is no God but Allah, Muhammad is the Prophet of Allah.

*Question* : What is the Kalimah Shahadah?

*Answer* : Ash-hadu-an-la-Ilaha-Ilallah -wa-ash-hadu-anna- Muhammadar-rasoolullah.

: Recite Surah Ikhlas.

: Recite Surah Fatihah.

*Question* : What is hadees?

*Answer* : A hadees means the words of Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

*Question* : Recite a hadees about mother.

*Answer* : Hadees. "Heaven lies below the mother's feet".

*Question* : Recite a hadees about cleanliness.

*Answer* : Hadees: "Cleanliness is half the faith".

*Question* : Recite a hadees about salat.

*Answer* : Hadees: "Salat is light".

- Question* : Which dua do you say when you enter the mosque?  
*Answer* : Allahummaftahli-abwaba-rahmatika.
- Question* : Recite a hadees about children.  
*Answer* : Hadees: "Children are the flowers of heaven."
- Question* : What do you say to everyone at home before sleeping?  
*Answer* : Fi-amanillah.
- Question* : What kind of friends do you have?  
*Answer* : I have good friends only.
- Question* : What is the meaning of Islam?  
*Answer* : Islam means peace and obedience to Allah.
- Question* : How do you behave with your parents?  
*Answer* : I am humble and soft with my parents.
- Question* : Who should you pray to?  
*Answer* : I should pray to Allah only.
- Question* : What is 'Shirk'?  
*Answer* : 'Shirk' means to pray or bow to others and to make them Allah's partners.
- Question* : Why must you pray to Allah alone?  
*Answer* : I must pray to Allah alone because He made us.

*Question* : Why do you obey Allah?

*Answer* : I obey Allah to get joy, success and peace.

*Question* : How do you obey Allah?

*Answer* : By following the Quran and the Sunnah.

*Question* : What is **Sunnah**?

*Answer* : Sunnah means the ways of Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

*Question* : Does Allah force us to obey Him?

*Answer* : No.

*Question* : Why did Allah make you?

*Answer* : Allah made me to test me and see if I am good or bad.

*Question* : Are you good or bad?

*Answer* : I am good.

*Question* : What is your aim in life?

*Answer* : My aim is to live as Allah told me to live and to make Allah happy.

*Question* : Which are the 5 basic beliefs of a Muslim?

*Answer* : A Muslim believes in - One God, angels, books of Allah, Prophets of Allah and life after death.